



**REPLY UNDER 37 C.F.R. § 1.116 EXPEDITED PROCEDURE
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Morris *et al.*

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RESPONSE AND AMENDMENT UNDER 37 C.F.R. § 1.116

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Sir:

This is a response to the Final Office Action for the above-referenced application mailed May 25, 2006 having a shortened statutory period set to expire August 25, 2006.

This response is submitted prior to the 2 month response date and subject to the alternative deadline upon mailing of the Advisory Action. The Applicants submit the following amendments and remarks:

A recitation of the claims begins on page 2 of this Response and Amendment.

The Remarks section begins on page 8 of this Response and Amendment.